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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 28, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.